Health Care Reform Alert: Democrats Reject Restrictions on Federal Funding for Abortions

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WASHINGTON—U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, Tuesday issued the following statement regarding the move by Senate Democrats to table an amendment offered by Sen. Ben Nelson, D-Neb., that would have prevented any taxpayer dollars from funding abortions under the Reid health care bill:

"I co-sponsored Sen. Nelson's amendment because I firmly believe not one federal dime should be spent to subsidize abortions. It is disappointing that a majority of my colleagues in the Senate decided to block this amendment from even receiving a fair up-or-down vote. As a result, if the Reid health care bill becomes law, millions of taxpayers will be forced to fund procedures that go directly against their beliefs and convictions."